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The newsletter of the Gold Coast Jazz & Blues Club
 March - April 2008
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Coming Events



Friday 14th March
Legends of
Australian Jazz
 with Bob Barnard, Kate Dunbar, Paul Williams, Jo Bloomfield, Bob Watson, Harry Price, Derek Capewell

Friday 18th April

GEOFF BULL'S

NEW ORLEANS
JAZZ BAND

Annual General Meeting

Back to Saturday

At the request of the management of the Surfers Paradise Golf Club we are moving the jazz club gigs to Saturday evening. This will take effect from Saturday 17th May. This change has been brought about because of the nature of the contract which the golf club has with its caterer. Our jazz club has an excellent relationship with the management of the golf club as witnessed by their agreement for us to set up a stage and move the band to the far end of the ballroom for most of our gigs and we were more than happy to agree to their request for the move to a Saturday evening.

We will have our annual general meeting at 6p.m. on Friday 18th April before the Geoff Bull gig. Please make an effort to attend. You will not be asked to join the committee as we have a full quota of members but you will be showing in a practical way your support for those who do the hard yards, the lifting and laying, the setting out of tables and chairs, the setting up and taking down and the administration which is involved in running a jazz club. Your committee and I would appreciate it if you made a special effort to be in the ballroom at 6p.m. on Friday 18th April.

Roy McKeen
President

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Jazz Action Society Gold Coast trading as the Gold Coast Jazz & Blues Club will be held at 6.00p.m. on Friday 18th April at the Surfers Paradise Golf Club, 1 Fairway Drive, Clear Island Waters.

Business on the agenda includes the reading of the minutes of the previous A.G. M., the president's report, the presentation of the statement of income and expenditure, the appointment of an auditor, receipt of notices of motion for discussion and any other matters of general business.

All committee positions will be declared vacant and open for election.

The future direction of the club will be decided by decisions made at this A.G.M.. You are cordially invited to attend and show your support for those members who volunteer their time and talent to serve on the committee of your club.

She's coming back. See page 5 !



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Geoff Bull

The Olympia Jazz Band was formed in 1962 and is one of the longest established jazz bands in Australia. The band's original inspiration was drawn from the recordings made during the first half of the 20th century by the great pioneers of New Orleans jazz. Forty years later the band's traditional New Orleans style continues.

Whilst the style remains firmly steeped in the New Orleans tradition there is a conscious effort to maintain originality and this is reflected in the bands wide and varied repertoire.

The Olympia performs regularly in Sydney and has appeared at the best known jazz venues and festivals all over Australia. They have also performed in Europe, Japan, the United Kingdom and the USA including the New Orleans Jazzfest.

In addition the band has toured with a succession of world renowned musicians.

In the true New Orleans spirit the emphasis of the Olympia is on joyful, swinging music for all occasions.

We are delighted to have Geoff Bull's New Orleans Jazz Band at the Gold Coast Jazz & Blues Club.

Members \$15: Visitors \$20

The trombone player with the band will be Campbell Burnap. Campbell was born in England but emigrated to New Zealand in 1961 then to Australia in 1962 and played with the Olympia band for 2 years 1963—64 before returning to the UK. He has played with many name English bands including a ten year stint with Acker Bilk.

In recent years Campbell has worked freelance as well as producing his own very successful FM Jazz radio program as well as regular feature programs for the BBC.

Please support your committee by attending the A. G. M..



Mary's memo to members

I'm sure you all know by now that the easiest way to book your seats for our concerts is to do it through the web page www.goldcoastjazzclub.com. This way you will always get a reply confirming your booking. Of course you can still book on 0405 143 720 but I try to avoid ringing back for messages left on the answering machine.

Please make your booking for each concert during the month before the event. It is too confusing to be taking bookings months ahead.

Please, if you have booked and know that members of your group cannot attend, do let me know, preferably 24 hours beforehand.

Table bookings are the hardest part of running a function as everyone wants a front seat. We do give preference to those people who attend every time but after that the seats are allocated on a first booked first seated basis.

My other concern is email addresses. When sending out an email to club members I always receive several returns that won't go through. If you have given me your email address and haven't received any emails please email me your new or altered address on jlandme@optusnet.com.au
Look forward to seeing you all at the next concert.



Mike Hawthorne
Trombone/Vocals



Mike Ross
Drums / Vocals



John Braben
Trumpet



Jo Bloomfield
Piano

Jo Bloomfield and some of "her boys"

What a spectacularly successful evening we had at our February gig when **Jo's Boys** drew a crowd of 203 to the jazz club.

We had a programme of outstanding jazz which was justly rewarded at the end by a standing ovation!

Mike Hawthorne was most impressed with the new lay-out of the club and congratulated "*whoever it was on the committee who had the idea to change.*"

Take a bow, Jim Oxenford.



She's coming back !



Saturday 21st June 2008

Lee Guinness

and

The Caxton Street Jazz Band

Bringing you the cream of jazz talent from all over Australia

They're coming too!



Saturday 26th July 2008

Glenn Miller Tribute Band with **Andrews Sisters Tribute**





Welcome to our new members to the jazz club:
 Claire Boaden, Sue Watson, Mark Millman, Kevin &
 Helene Clark, Sue Adams, Bob Ogle, Joy Malane,
 J.A. Doran, Trish & Bob Hanley, Mick & Diane
 O'Dowd, Carmen Stoddart.

Current Membership: 278

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Website: www.goldcoastjazzclub.com
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Ph: 0405-143-720. Please do NOT telephone the Golf Club.



Legends of Australian Jazz

Friday 14th March 2008

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Bob Watson



Bob Barnard



Kate Dunbar



Paul Williams



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